

WORKSHOP NOTICE

October 9, 2003

TO: INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM: AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER

SUBJECT: PUBLIC WORKSHOP - REGULATION 8, RULE 10: PROCESS VESSEL DEPRESSURIZATION AND REGULATION 8, RULE 18: EQUIPMENT LEAKS

On **Tuesday, October 28, 2003, starting at 5:30 PM**, the staff of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District will conduct two public workshops to discuss proposed changes to Regulation 8, Rule 10: Process Vessel Depressurization and Regulation 8, Rule 18; Equipment Leaks. The changes to the rules apply to equipment at petroleum refineries. The workshop for Regulation 8, Rule 10 will be held from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM and the workshop for Regulation 8, Rule 18 will be conducted from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM.

The workshop will be held at the following times and location:

**Crockett Community Center
850 Pomona Street
Crockett, California**

**5:30 PM - Process Vessel Depressurization
7:00 PM - Equipment Leaks**

The proposed amendments to Regulation 8, Rule 10: Process Vessel Depressurization include:

- Expanding the rule to include previously exempt process vessels
- Expanding the rule to cover all situations where a vessel is depressurized
- Establishing an emission standard for venting to the atmosphere
- Requiring emission monitoring for all vessels

The proposed amendments to Regulation 8, Rule 18: Equipment Leaks include:

- Requiring leaking valves be replaced with leakless technology
- Reducing the number of components allowed on a non-repairable list and the duration they can remain on that list
- Requiring that any component placed on the non-repairable list have a replacement in inventory within 30 days that meets the leakless technology requirement. Available replacements will facilitate earlier component replacement should the opportunity arise.
- Setting an upper limit of 10,000 ppm for any leaking component

The proposed regulations and these notices are available on the District website at www.baaqmd.gov. If you have any questions or comments concerning Regulation 8, Rule 10: Process Vessel Depressurization, please contact Alex Ezersky, Air Quality Specialist II at (415) 749-4650 or aezersky@baaqmd.gov. All questions or comments regarding Regulation 8, Rule 18: Equipment Leaks should be directed to Victor Douglas, Air Quality Specialist II, at (415) 749-4752, or to email at vdouglas@baaqmd.gov.

Driving directions:

From San Francisco/Oakland/Richmond

Take **I-80 EAST** towards **SACRAMENTO/VALLEJO**

Take the **POMONA ST** exit towards **CROCKETT/PORT COSTA**,

Bear left on **POMONA ST**,

Continue on **POMONA AVE/POMONA ST** to the **CROCKETT COMMUNITY CENTER**

From Vallejo/Sacramento

Take **I-80 EAST** towards **SAN FRANCISCO**

Take the **POMONA ST** exit towards **CROCKETT/PORT COSTA**,

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The Bay Area Air Quality Management District encourages you to take public transportation.

From San Francisco/Oakland/Richmond (approximately 2 hours)

Take **BART** to the **EL CERRITO DEL NORTE** station.

From the **EL CERRITO DEL NORTE** station take **WestCAT BUS ROUTE JX** to the **HERCULES TRANSIT CENTER**.

From the **HERCULES TRANSIT CENTER** take **WestCAT BUS ROUTE 11** to **JOHN SWETT HIGH SCHOOL**.

Walk east on **POMONA AVE/POMONA ST** to the **CROCKETT COMMUNITY CENTER**